

PLM PROPERTIES LLC

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CT Housing Committee
Hartford, CT
VIA Email hsgtestimony@cga.ct.gov

Re: Comment for Public Hearing February 18, 2020

Dear Representatives,

I am writing provide the following written testimony for the following proposed bills:

SB 105 - Tenant's Right To Housing: Oppose Providing free lawyers for those facing evictions will result in even more abuse of the system than we are experiencing today. Landlords generally use eviction as a means of last resort, preferring to save everyone time & expense offering "cash for keys" etc. Adding more lawyers to the process will solve nothing.

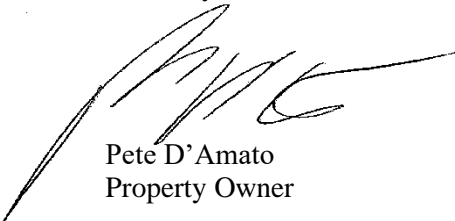
SB 109 - Concealing criminal records: Oppose Landlords are responsible for the health and safety of all tenants in their entire building. This bill prioritizes the "rights" of one tenant. It's not just the behavior of the individual in question, but the behavior of the company they keep. While everyone deserves a fair chance, especially after having paid their debt to society, more variables need to be assessed such as the number of crimes, frequency and severity of crimes. Connecticut will become a beacon for convicts to move here and this will endanger the public's safety.

HB 5122 - Civil rights protections to criminals: Oppose Criminals create victims, they are not victims themselves! Encouraging endless lawsuits against landlords that try to protect themselves and their tenants from career criminals is just insane.

HB 5123 - Strict liability for lead poisonings: Oppose Children's blood lead levels are at historic lows, we do not need these types of proposals that seek to redistribute wealth.

HB 5126 - Capping late fees: Oppose This is nothing more than an expansion of government control over our businesses, limiting our ability to recover operating costs associated with chronic late payers.

Sincerely,



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Property Owner